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LISTING OF CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the patent application.

Claim 1 (currently amended): A reflective slide fastener comprising:

a pair of fastener tapes each having a row of coupling elements fixedly secured to and along a longitudinal edge of the fastener tape, and

reflective materials which exhibit retroreflection and are applied to the surfaces of the fastener tapes and/or coupling elements,

wherein said reflective materials are adapted to allow the color of the fastener tapes and/or coupling elements to be seen therethrough, said reflective material being a transparent or translucent retroreflective material containing a layer of glass beads, a reflective layer which is disposed on said layer of glass beads and is formed from a metal compound having permeability to light, and a colored reflective layer made of a transparent resin containing a reflective pigment and being arranged under said reflective layer.

Claims 2-4 (cancelled)

Claim 5 (currently amended): A reflective tape manufactured by inweaving, interknitting or incorporating in a tape a thread-like and/or tape-like reflective material which exhibits retroreflection,

wherein said reflective material is adapted to allow the color of the tape to be seen therethrough, said reflective material being a transparent or translucent retroreflective material containing a layer of glass beads, a reflective layer which is disposed on said layer of glass beads and is formed from a metal compound having permeability to light, and a colored reflective layer made of a transparent resin containing a reflective pigment and being arranged under said reflective layer.

Claims 6-9 (cancelled)

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Claim 10 (currently amended): The reflective slide fastener according to ~~claim 9~~ claim 1, wherein said metal compound is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of titanium oxide, bismuth oxide, zirconium oxide, silicon oxide, zinc oxide and zinc sulfide.

Claim 11 (cancelled)

Claim 12 (currently amended): The reflective slide fastener according to ~~claim 11~~ claim 5, wherein said metal compound is at least one compound selected from the group consisting of titanium oxide, bismuth oxide, zirconium oxide, silicon oxide, zinc oxide and zinc sulfide.